



Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, Governor • Sara Parker Pauley, Director

## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

[www.dnr.mo.gov](http://www.dnr.mo.gov)

July 1, 2013

Surface Transportation Board  
Case Control Unit  
Attention Diana Wood  
Washington, DC 20423

RE: Docket no. AB 1068 (Sub-No. 1X) and AB 1070 (SUB-No.1X)

Dear Ms. Wood:

On June 21, 2013, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Kansas City Regional Office received a document from the Surface Transportation Board Environmental Assessment on the Missouri Central Railroad company – Abandonment and Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Cass Henry, Johnson and Pettis Counties, MO Docket no. AB 1068 (Sub-No.1X) and Central Midland Railway Company – Discontinuance of Service and Operating Rights Exemption – In Cass, Henry, Johnson, and Pettis Counties, MO Docket No. 1070 (Sub-NO. 1X) Environment Assessment.

The Department has the following comments:

1. In the report, it states that rails, ties and track material would be salvaged. These materials must be properly handled by reused or recycling. If disposal is proposed, then the materials cannot be burned nor buried. They must be properly disposed of at a permitted solid waste facility.
2. Only vegetation can be burned. You must obtain a burn permit if any vegetation is going to be burned.
3. Construction activities associated with the proposed project may require a land disturbance general permit. In accordance with 10 CSR 20-6.200 land disturbance activities of one acre or more are required to obtain a Missouri State Operating Permit to discharge storm water. The permit requires Best Management Practices sufficient to control runoff and sedimentation to protect waters of the state. Starting September 1, 2012, land disturbance permits will only be obtained by means of the Department's ePermitting system available online at [www.dnr.mo.gov/env/wpp/epermit/help.htm](http://www.dnr.mo.gov/env/wpp/epermit/help.htm). See [www.dnr.mo.gov/env/wpp/stormwater/sw-land-disturb-permits.htm](http://www.dnr.mo.gov/env/wpp/stormwater/sw-land-disturb-permits.htm) for more information.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (816) 251-0705 or the Kansas City Regional Office, 500 Northeast Colbern Road, Lee's Summit, Missouri 64086-4710. Thank you.

Sincerely,

KANSAS CITY REGIONAL OFFICE

  
James Helgason  
Environmental Manager

JHH/bb

c: Ms. Jane Beetem, Director's Office Missouri Department of Natural Resources

